(c) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(d) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir. This is applicable in the three districts of the Kathmandu valley.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Besides work-permits, from April 14, 1987, all workers, including Nepali workers are also required to obtain identity cards.

(d) Government will remain vigilant over any undue discrimination against Indian workers.

Realisation of dues outstanding against State Tourism Development Corporations by the ITDC

1677. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the current assets with value thereof which were raised against the different State Tourism Development Corporations/State Governments consequent upon the transfer of ITDC/DOT properties to them during the last three years; and

(b) whether the value of the assets so raised against the different State Governments/STDC by ITDC have been realised; if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) and (b) ITDC has transferred during the last 3 years nine travellers' lodges and one restaurant belonging to it besides three forest lodges belonging to the Department of Tourism. The position regarding details of value realised/to be realised by ITDC for these properties is given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 84]

Trade between India and Latin American countries

1678. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the quantum of trade between India and the Latin American countries during the last three years;

(b) whether there has been any increase/decrease in trade with these countries; and

(c) what measures Government have taken to increase the trade between India and these countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) The quantum of trade between India and Latin American countries during the last 3 years is given below:

(Value: Rs. Crores)

Year	Exports	Imports
1984-85 . .	21·78	460·54
1985-86 (P) . .	21·08	549·52
1986-87 (P) . . (April-September)	13·88	234·71

P : Provisional

(b) The level of two way trade with Latin American countries during 1985-86 increased as compared to that during 1984-85. However, the figures for first six months of 1986-87 indicate a declining trend as compared to corresponding period during 1985-86.

(c) On account of the debt crisis being faced by most of the Latin American countries, the prospects for increasing trade with these countries in the short term are limited. However, official level discussions have been held for opening

avenues for India's exports to these countries in order to secure redressal of trade imbalance to the extent possible. Promotional measures include sponsoring of trade delegations, extension of credit facility on a selective basis and participation in trade fairs.

Special courts for trial of management of Industrial Units

1679. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have issued any directive to certain State Governments to set up special courts for the trial of the managements of industrial units which default in Provident Fund deposits; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The State Governments of Bihar, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and West Bengal have been addressed to designate one or two courts, at certain specified places in their States, where there was large pendency of prosecution cases, as Special Courts for trying Provident Fund cases exclusively.

Workers' participation in public Sector undertakings

1680. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that consequent upon the declaration of the original 20-Point Programme in 1976-77, Government announced the extension of the scheme of workers' participation in commercial and service organisations in public sector;

(b) if so, which are the public sector commercial and service organisations, including hotels, which have already implemented the workers' participation scheme at different levels and in particular those which have not implemeted the scheme upto the Board level so far; and

(c) what efforts are being made by Government to make the 'Participation scheme' a compulsory one at least in the Central public sector enterprises with immediate effect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Scheme of Workers' participation was reviewed and in December 1983, the Government notified a comprehensive scheme. A Tripartite Committee comprising of the representatives of the employers, trade unions and the Government was also set up to review the working of the scheme and to suggest remedial measures. According to information available, 94 public sector enterprises have already implemented the scheme at shop floor and plant level. A list of the names of those enterprises is given in on enclosed statement I-(*See* below). Further seven public sector enterprises have appointed trade union leaders on the Board of Directors (Statement-II) There is no proposal before the Government at present to make the 'participation scheme' compulsory.

Statement—I

1. State Farms Corporation of India Ltd.
2. Pyrites, Phosphates and Chemicals Ltd.
3. Fertilizers Corporation of India Ltd.
4. Fertilizers & Chemicals (Travancore) Ltd.
5. Hindustan Fertilizers Corporation Ltd.
6. National Fertilizers Ltd.
7. Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.
8. Uranium Corporation of India Ltd.
9. Electronics Corporation of India Ltd.
10. Mica Trading Corporation Ltd.
11. Minerals & Metals Trading Corporation of India Ltd.
12. Hindustan Teleprinters Ltd.
13. Indian Telephone Industries Ltd.
14. Bharat Earth Movers Ltd.
15. Praga Tools Ltd.
16. Bharat Dynamics Ltd.
17. Mishra Dhatu Nigam Ltd.